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IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, paragraph 1, please insert the following:

-- This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/215,871, filed

August 5, 2002, the disclosure of which is expressly incorporated herein by reference. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-31 without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims:

32. (New) A method for weight reduction in a patient, comprising:

locating a subcutaneous fatty deposit in the patient;

identifying a first skin surface, proximal to the subcutaneous fatty deposit;

using a conductor to create a current flow path through the subcutaneous fatty deposit, for an electric charge naturally present in the patient; and

maintaining the current flow path for a time period sufficient to cause significant electrically-triggered weight reduction;

wherein the current flow path is from a first portion of the conductor to a second portion of the conductor.

- 33. (New) The method of claim 32, wherein the time period comprises at least four hours per day for at least three days.
- 34. (New) The method of claim 32, wherein creating a current flow path comprises applying the first portion of the conductor, the conductor comprising a low-resistance electrically conductive material, directly in contact with a first skin surface area of the first skin surface, and applying the second portion of the conductor to a second skin surface area of the first

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